



## African Women's Entrepreneurship Program

## Smart Companies Invest in Women!

Creating Better Business Environments by Empowering African Women Entrepreneurs as Change Agents

Network of over  
**1600** women  
entrepreneurs, who  
have created over  
**17,000** jobs

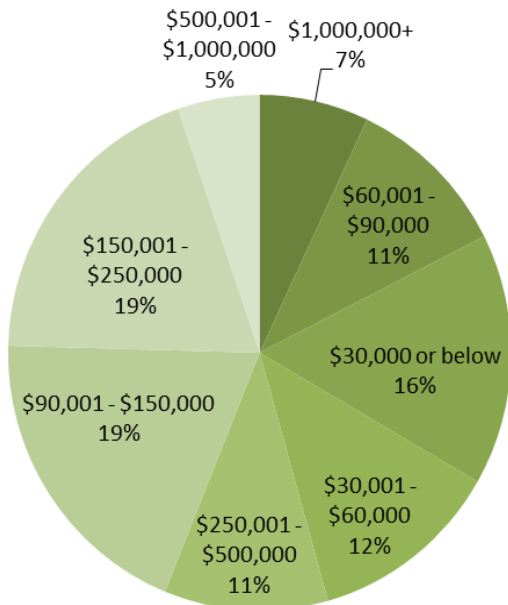
**22** Business  
associations  
across Africa



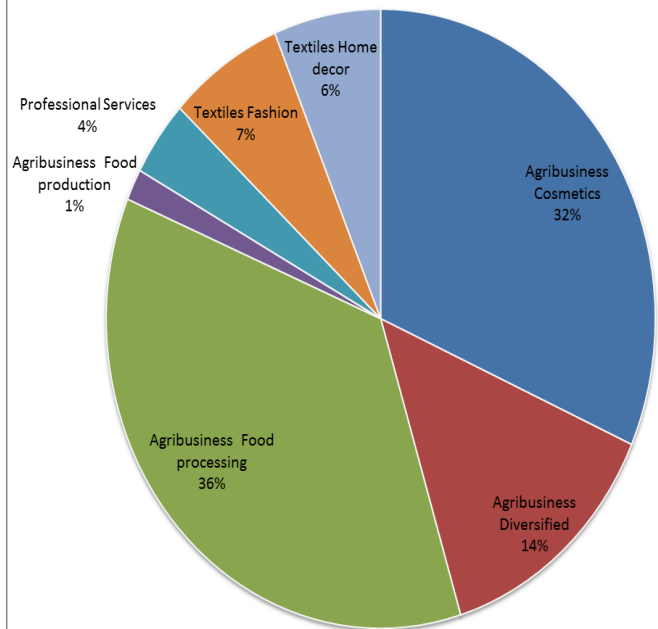
**154** Alumnae  
active  
across **48**  
countries

The African Women's Entrepreneurship Program (AWEP) is a trade and investment initiative started by the U.S. Department of State in 2010. The program provides professional networking, business development, financing and trade capacity building opportunities for a network of more than 1,600 women entrepreneurs and 22 women's business associations across Africa. AWEP also hosts an annual forum and business-to-business networking event on the margins of the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) ministerial. AWEP companies operate in the following sectors: agri-business, food processing, textiles, fashion and home decor.

### AWEP Company Revenue\*



### AWEP Sectors by Employees\*



\*These charts reflect a sample size of data from the 154 AWEP alumnae companies as of April 29, 2014.

\* Current AWEP chapters; Chapters in progress

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